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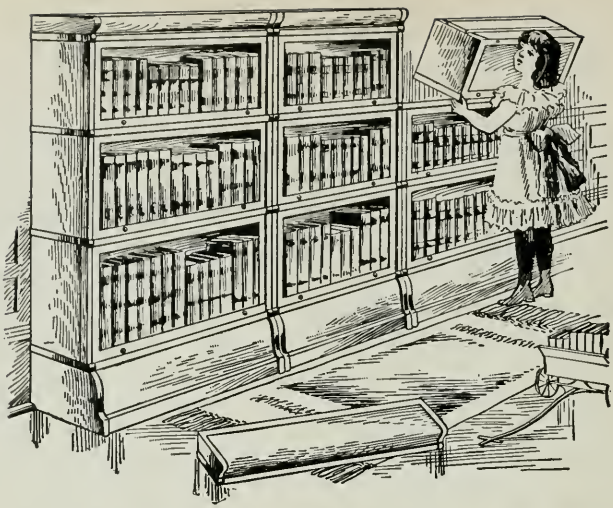

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Enlistments were called for, and Frank E. Stanley, who was afterwards killed at the Battle of Irish Bend, La., headed the list. The enthusiasm increased and enlistments continued until Monday, April 22, when the volunteers organized into Company G, First Regiment, Connecticut Volunteers.

Young men from New Britain enlisted in other companies in this regiment, and among others, two enlisted in General Joseph R. Hawley's company in Hartford. Thereafter enlistments from New Britain became frequent in different regiments throughout this state and other states of the Union. Later on Company G, of the Sixth Regiment, Connecticut Volunteers was recruited here. Company A, of the Seventh had many New Britain boys, and over them gallant Valentine B. Chamberlain was Lieutenant. Company A, of the Thirteenth Regiment, had

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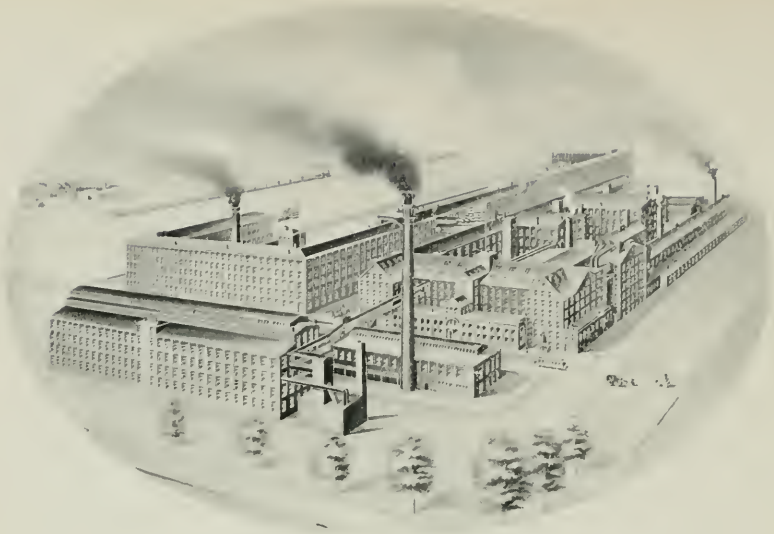

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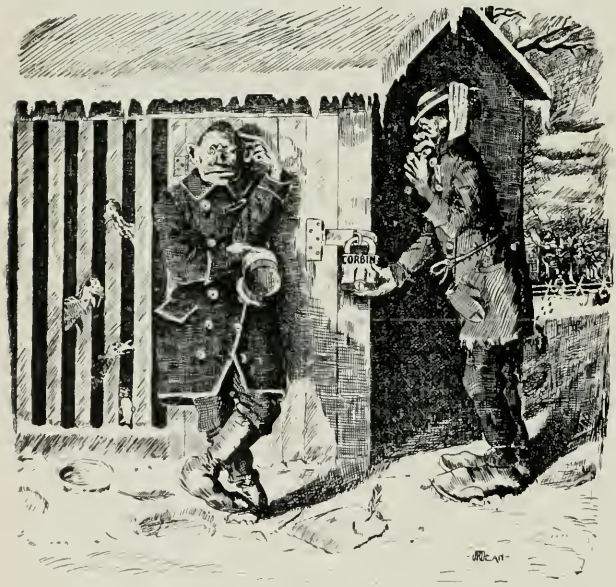

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Town of New Britain for bounties to volunteers for substitutes and drafted men and to their families during the War of Rebellion, 1861-5,	$66,174.59
Cash to forty-six men for commutation, each $300,	13,800.00
Cash for substitutes to individuals, 70 at an average of $500,	35,000,00
1862, Cash subscriptions as a community for war purposes,	7,109.00
1862, Cash subscriptions as a community for war purposes,	648.75
1863, Cash subscriptions as a community for war purposes,	852.50
1864, Cash subscriptions as a community for war purposes,	389 60
These four subscriptions reported by Oliver Stanley.	
Collections by Rev. Mr. Goodell's congregation for Freedmen, $435.90, for orphans $93.80,	529.70
Collection by Rev. Mr. Perrin's congregation for Freedmen and aid societies,	886.71
Collection by Methodist congregation for Freedmen,	50.00
Collection by Baptist congregation for Freedman,	110.00
Cash by ladies of the town paid into general fund at Hartford,	2,776.55
Estimated value of garments and articles furnished by ladies,	1,252.16
Cash by Mr. Henry Stanley $100, by Mr. Sargent $100, to Mr. Hammond of Hartford,	200.00
September 1864, Cost of 11 substitutes to 50 men for 11 drafted soldiers, town paying $83⅓,	8,766.66
Cash by individuals to fit out Rev. Mr. Bond for chaplain,	234.00
Cash by sundry persons for swords, belts, sashes and pistols,	578.00
Estimated cost of a Thanksgiving supper sent to Co. F, 14th Regiment, and others sent to Virginia,	212.00
Estimated cost for fruits, foods, etc., in large quantities for wounded soldiers,	258.25
Estimated cost of labor by ladies of town on new garments sent soldiers,	667.14
Estimated cost of clothing, food and medicines sent to front, $30 for 500 soldiers,	1,500 00
Estimated cost of bringing home 20 dead soldiers at $100,	2,000.00
Estimated cost of 20 drafted men $250 each, (town paying same in addition for substitutes),	5,000.00
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The above was forwarded to Rev. J. M. Morris, of New Haven, for publication in the general history of the Rebellion, and cost to towns in Connecticut ; the facts having been gathered by Alfred Andrews in the months of October and November, 1866, from the best sources of information in this town, and is entered here for the benefit of future generations, to show the patriotism of the loyal in New Britain.

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Read over the long list of names of New Britain heroes, who served in the internecine struggle, and look around you and see where they are today. How many are alive, and where do the dead lie?

It is useless to go over the battle fields from Bull Run to the surrender at Appomattox, describing the knightly deeds done in behalf of the Union by New Britain soldiers. They fought the good fight and New Britain and its public-spirited citizens are not forgetful of their bravery.

Today New Britain raises a Monument to her heroes. Their names are carved on it to perpetuate their valor and to commemorate their sacrifice.

Let us turn aside from the acts and lives of men whose names are written in the martial history of the country, and glance at the efforts made by the public-spirited citizens of New Britain to secure the erection of this Monument.

After the War of the Rebellion the Legislature passed an act authorizing towns under certain conditions to erect a Soldiers' Monument to commemorate the acts of the Soldiers and Sailors of the War of the Rebellion. On October 12, 1868, a Town Meeting was held in the old Strickland Hall, and the subject of making an appropriation for the erection of a Soldiers' Monument was considered and referred to a committee. Subsequently this committee reported to a Special Town Meeting held at the same hall on January 11, 1869, advising the erection of a Soldiers' Monument in the public park, now Walnut Hill Park, after authority should be obtained from the Legislature.

The Legislature, at its May session in 1869, passed the following act: "If the Free Men of the Town, in legal Meeting called for that purpose within one year, decide by a majority vote of those present, to erect in the park hereby authorized, or in the park near the center of the Borough of New Britain, a Monument to the memory of the deceased Soldiers, who enlisted from said Town during the late war, it shall be lawful to appropriate from the proceeds of the bonds herein authorized a sum not exceeding in amount Fifteen Thousand Dollars." In

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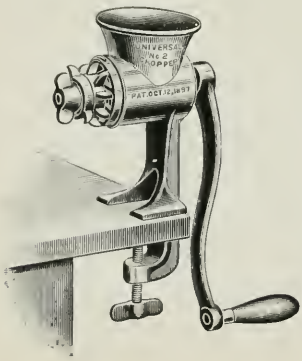

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accordance with this resolution, a Special Town Meeting was held May 31, 1869, at the same hall and the resolutions of the Legislature authorizing the erection of a Soldiers' Monument were accepted.

In Union Hall, which was then near the South Church, on October 13, 1873, at a Special Town Meeting, Samuel W. Hart, George M. Landers and Oliver Stanley, men eminent in the history of the town, were appointed a committee to investigate the cost of a Soldiers' and Seamen's Monument. This committee reported to a Special Town Meeting at the same hall, October 27, 1873, that it was then inexpedient, owing to the general business depression, to take any steps with reference to the erection of a Monument. Dr. S. W. Hart, Timothy W. Stanley and Valentine B. Chamberlain were appointed a committee to investigate designs, materials and cost for a Soldiers' Monument, and report to a Town Meeting. Any vacancy in the committee was to be filled by the Selectmen. The committee never made a report.

In 1881 there was a meeting of some citizens of New Britain at the High School room, now known as the Central Grammar School, for the purpose of considering the matter of a Soldiers' Monument. A committee of thirteen was appointed to consider the subject of a building for the New Britain Institute, and in commemoration of the soldiers and sailors who fell in the War of the Rebellion. This committee was composed of the following prominent citizens of New Britain: John B. Talcott, C. B. Erwin, Ambrose Beatty, Ira E. Hicks, Oliver Stanley, J. A. Pickett, Thos. H. Brady, R. G. Hibbard, Charles Peck, D. N. Camp, Valentine B. Chamberlain, W. L. Humason and A. J. Sloper. This committee formed a permanent organization, with by-laws, but nothing appears to have been done by them as a whole. The inspiration created by this gathering had its manifest results in the will of C. B. Erwin, who died March 22, 1885. The will was dated March 14, 1884, and it is apparent that the purpose of this committee was in his mind when he drafted the will, for he remembered the needs of the New Britain Institute in it, and also the matter of a Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument. He gave the sum of ten thousand dollars to the Town of New Britain for the erection of a "suitable monument in commemoration of the soldiers from our town, who served in the War of the Rebellion, provided, however, and upon condition that said town shall within one year after his decease or the decease of his wife,

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determine to erect such a monument, and shall make such an additional appropriation in furtherance of such object as would fittingly" carry out the purpose of the bequest.

In order to take advantage of this generous bequest, a special town meeting was held at Turner Hall, August 13, 1885. At this meeting a tax of one and one-half mills was laid on the grand list for the purpose of building a monument. Ambrose Beatty, Henry E. Russell and V. B. Chamberlain were appointed a committee to select a site for the Soldiers' Monument. This committee reported on August 31, 1885, that the site decided upon was Central Park, where the monument is now located. At a town meeting held October 12, 1885, Ambrose Beatty, V. B. Chamberlain and Henry E. Russell were appointed a committee to supervise the erection of a Soldiers' Monument.

On March 14, 1887, at a town meeting, it was voted that the money raised by the levy of one and one-half mill tax, should be turned over to this committee, who were trustees of the monument fund. Owing to the unsettled condition of the Erwin estate, nothing was done towards the erection of the monument, although it was a much talked of subject.

In 1893, the Hon. Valentine B. Chamberlain died, leaving a vacancy in the monument committee, and on the 25th day of October, 1893, Ira E. Hicks was appointed to fill the vacancy, by the Board of Selectmen. Some attempt was made after this to have the site changed to Walnut Hill Park, but this was impossible owing to the appropriation having been made for the erection of the monument upon Central Park. In 1897, Ira E. Hicks resigned as a member of the committee, and the Board of Selectmen appointed F. N. Stanley to fill the vacancy, and soon thereafter a design was selected and work was commenced under the personal supervision of the Mr. Henry E. Russell and it is in a great measure, owing to his untiring vigilance that New Britain has the beautiful structure, which is an ornament to the city, and will forever honor the men who did their duty in the great War of the Rebellion. On May 11, 1900, Henry E. Russell, Ambrose Beatty, and F. N. Stanley of the Soldiers' Monument Committee reported to the Board of Selectmen the completion of their work.

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August 18, 1900 To cash received from town of New Britain, from taxes and interest, ...	10,138.39
July 1, 1899. To cash received from town of New Britain, by note, ...	2,000.00
May 5, 1900. To cash received from interests on deposits to date, ...	6,022.39
To cash received from interest, . . .	4.55
	$28,165.33

Paid for stone work, foundations and excavation, . .	$21,956.60
Paid for metal work, ...	2,531.01
Paid for cutting names of soldiers and battles, . . .	501.15
Paid for flagging, grading and turf, ...	295.00
Paid for Engineer' fees and surveys, ...	88.80
Paid for insurance, ...	100.00
Paid for Architect's fees, ...	2,422.40
Paid for incidentals, ...	237.04
May 10, 1900. Balance on hand, ...	33.33
	$28,165.33

Acting upon a petition, a special town meeting was held June 28, 1900, to consider the question of the acceptance and the proper dedication of the Soldiers' Monument. It was there voted, that September 19, 1900, the anniversary of the second battle of Winchester, would be the day for the dedication, and fifteen hundred dollars was appropriated to defray the expenses of the celebration.

A committee of sixty-five citizens of the town was appointed to prepare and conduct the celebration incident to the dedication of the Monument.

The contract for the building of the Monument was let to M. J. O'Connor of Hartford, and James Muir of Springfield, in the Spring of 1898, and work was at once commenced on the base by Thomas Fahy of this city.

This in brief is a sketch of the efforts made towards the erection of the Soldiers' Monument in this town.

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CORNELIUS BUCKLEY ERWIN.

Cornelius Buckley Erwin was born at Booneville, N. Y., June 11, 1811. He received but a small common school education, and instructed himself by reading such books as he could secure. His father owned a tannery, and a few of his early years were spent in his father's shop, but he struck out at the age of twenty-one for himself, securing employment as assistant to a drover. With a gift of five dollars from his father and a loan of fifteen dollars from a neighbor, he procured necessary clothing and left Booneville in 1832 in the employ of one Hurlburt with a consignment of horses. In this capacity he came to Hartford, Conn. After the horses were disposed of, as his mother's home was in Rocky Hill, he made a visit there, and after a short time came to New Britain, where he obtained work. He worked in different factories, and he soon became a partner in the firm of W. H. Belden & Co. In 1836 he formed the co-partnership of Erwin, Lewis & Co. In conjunction with Henry E. Russell and others he founded the Russell & Erwin Manufacturing Co. in 1839. He was president of this corporation, from its organization as a corporation in 1851, up to the time of his death. He was president of the New Britain National Bank from its organization in 1860. He was a director of the Savings Bank of New Britain, and also in many of the manufacturing companies of the city, and of many other corporations outside of the city. He was a quiet, unobtrusive man, never seeking public notoriety, but always active in forwarding the interests of New Britain. In great measure, through his instrumentality, the Berlin Branch road and the public Water Works, the State Normal School and

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HENRY E. RUSSELL.

Mr. Henry E. Russell, Chairman Soldiers' Monument Committee, and who has had the supervision of the work, as well as the selection of the Architect, has been prominently identified with the business interests of New Britain, since 1865. He was born in New York City in 1838, and in 1855, entered the employ of the Russell & Erwin Manufacturing Co., as invoice clerk. He made himself thoroughly acquainted with all the details of the business of the company at the store in New York, and having a natural aptitude for mechanics, was transferred to the factory at New Britain. He was steadily advanced in position in the company, being appointed Secretary, afterwards Treasurer and General Manager, and upon the death of Mr. Woodruff, was appointed President of the company. He resigned the presidency of the company in 1898, and has since spent most of his time travelling. He has travelled over England and Continental Europe several times, and his opportunities for wide observation and familiarity with the best architectural work in Europe qualified him, particularly, for his position as Chairman of the Monument committee.

He is a trustee under the will of C. B. Erwin, and at Mr. Erwin's request was appointed Chairman of the committee intrusted with the erection of the Chapel at Fairview Cemetery.

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AMBROSE BEATTY.

he engaged in the grocery business in which he continued for many years. He held many public offices of the town and city. He was a member of the School Board and Board of Assessors and was First Selectman of the town for many years. He was for seven years Chief of the Volunteer Fire Department. He was Alderman in 1875, and Mayor of the city in 1879, and from

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FREDERICK N. STANLEY.

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Frederick N. Stanley, who is a member of the Monument Committee, was born in New Britain, March 17, 1844. He is a son of Henry and Catherine A. Stanley and traces his ancestry back to John Stanley, one of the first settlers in this country.

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He was educated at the public schools of New Britain and at Dr. Gold's private school at West Cornwall, and at the academy at Munson, Mass.

He was still a school boy when the civil war broke out, but in November, 1861, though only seventeen years of age, he enlisted in the Thirteenth Connecticut Volunteers for three years service. His bravery and gallantry in service was rewarded by his promotion to Second Lieutenant in 1863, and in the following year to Adjutant in the same regiment.

Returning from the war, he became connected with the Stanley Rule and Level Co., in this city and also at the office of the company in New York. In 1865, he was made Assistant Secretary, and in 1869 was made Secretary of the company. On October 6, 1899, he was elected president of the company.

He is a director in the Mechanic's National Bank, and also a director in several other corporations in this city. He is a member of the Loyal Legion, of the G. A. R., and of the Army and Navy Club of Connecticut.

Though a man of native modesty and retiring disposition, he has devoted himself to the business he has been connected with, and given credit to the name that is already illustrious in the town and the country.

LIEUTENANT THEODORE A. STANLEY.

Lieutenant Theodore A. Stanley, son of Henry Stanley, was born in New Britain, July 22, 1833. He early went to New York to engage in business. He returned to New Britain where he continued to work until his enlistment, July 15, 1862. He was Lieutenant in one of the companies of the Fourteenth Regular Connecticut Volunteers.

At the battle of Antietam, Stanley distinguished himself by his coolness in discharge of his duties after the wounding of Captain Blinn of his company.

Lieutenant Stanley was wounded at the battle of Fredericksburg while leading his company in a charge on the rebel batteries at Mary's Heights. He only survived eighteen days and died on the 31st of December, 1862. His body was removed to New Britain, where he was buried with military honors.

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Valentine B. Chamberlain was born at Colebrook River, Litchfield County, Conn., on August 13, 1833. He attended the district school and a private academy, and afterwards went to the Suffield Literary Institute. From there he passed to Williams College and was graduated in 1857. After receiving his diploma from Williams College he came to New Britain, whither

VALENTINE B. CHAMBERLAIN.

his parents had moved, and began the study of law with Seth E. Case. He was admitted to the bar in 1859. He established "The New Britain News" in 1860, which he edited and published for a year. In 1861 he was assistant clerk of the House of Representatives. When the war broke out he was very active in the support of the Union, and being a vigorous and

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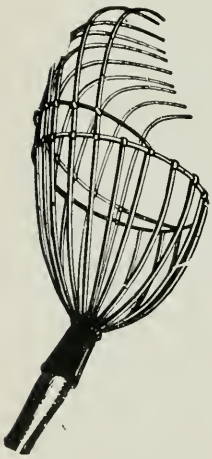

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thrilling speaker when his heart was in the cause, he created great enthusiasm at the war meetings held in April, 1861. He enlisted in Company A, Seventh Connecticut Volunteers, of which company he was lieutenant He was in the seige of Fort Pulaski and James Island. He was captured on the second day of the assault on Fort Wagner, and was kept a prisoner of war for nearly a year and a half at Charleston and Columbia, S. C., and at Charlotte and Raleigh, N. C. He suffered much during this imprisonment. He was paroled and came within the Union lines March 1, 1865, and was honorably discharged the following month. Remaining in Florida for a few years after the war, he came to New Britain in 1868 and became a resident until his death. He was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1868 which nominated Grant for President, and he was sent again in 1884 when Blaine was nominated. He was elected Judge of the Probate Court for many terms; he also held the position of Judge of the Police and City Courts for many years. He was Treasurer of the State of Connecticut in 1884 and proved his ability as a financier. He organized the Mechanics National Bank of which he was President at the time of his death. He was active in the interest of education, being a member of the school board for many years. He was a prominent member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and took great interest in the organization. He died June 25, 1893, and his funeral was public and attended by all classes of people, all business being suspended in the town for that purpose. His early death was a calamity for New Britain, where he was honored and respected and where his memory is still held in veneration.

CAPTAIN IRA E. HICKS.

Captain Ira E. Hicks, who was a member of the Monument Committee, was born at Rehoboth, Mass., September 22, 1840. He was educated in the common schools and Bristol Academy at Bristol, County, Mass. Graduating from there, he went to Taunton, Mass., as an employee of a post office for four years. He then moved to Bridgeport, Conn., and engaged in the manufacturing business. At the opening of the war, although in a prosperous business, he enlisted September 9, 1861, in Company

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I, Seventh Regiment, Connecticut Volunteers, and was appointed Second Lieutenant, and mustered into service four days after enlistment. He was wounded at the Battle of James Island, S. C., June 16, 1862. He was Acting-Adjutant when four companies of his regiment led the assault on Fort Wagner, July 11, 1863. There were 208 men and 11 officers in this assault, and only 73 men and 4 officers escaped. Lieutenant Hicks was one of the four. General Strong appointed him Provost Marshal commanding the remainder of the detachment. The regi-

CAPT. IRA E. HICKS.

ment was ordered to Fortress Monroe in 1864 to assist in the attack upon Richmond. Lieutenant Hicks was ordered to report to General Birney, who commanded the Tenth Army Corps.

He acted upon the staff of General Birney until the latter's death. He was recommended for promotion because of brilliant service at the battle of Deep Bottom, by General Birney, but owing to impairment of health caused by the wounds received in battle, Lieutenant Hicks was forced to decline. After being

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appointed Captain of Infantry, Lieutenant Hicks was mustered out of service December 4, 1864. Captain Hicks was a charter member of Stanley Post, G. A. R., and has been Commander of the Post for four terms. He has been State Commander, and also Junior Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R. of the United States. He was appointed Postmaster by President Harrison in 1899, and held the office for four years. He has been Councilman and Alderman of the city and he has served upon the Board of Assessors of the town. He is a man of commanding presence, and conspicuous for his activity in the interests of the town and city of New Britain.

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physician in the town before him, and his mother was Orpha North, still pleasantly remembered for her many virtues. He was early sent to school, attending many private academies both in Fair Haven, Conn., and Pittsfield, Mass.

He took an extended course of lectures in medicine at the Berkshire Medical College, and under some private tutors of well known fame, and at Harvard Medical College, receiving a diploma from the Yale Medical School in 1855.

In order to receive the best possible training, he went to Europe in 1857, and for a year attended the leading hospitals there. He commenced practice in his native town upon his return and met with merited success. So popular was he that he was elected Mayor of his native city in 1872, and held the office for five consecutive years. He was the second person to be elected Mayor of the City of New Britain.

For five years he was chosen chairman of the Board of Health of the city, and it was owing to his wise plan and careful supervision that the splendid sewage system of the city was adopted. From 1846 to 1851 he was connected with the Connecticut Retreat for the Insane at Hartford, when he resigned on account of impairment of health. His father's practice, which was large in this city, was carried on to its zenith under him.

He spent much time in travel in Europe and the West and in Central America, where his cultured mind received a keen enjoyment of varied observations. His letters from abroad were entertaining inasmuch as he was a master of English descriptive style.

A man of unblemished character, a keen sense of humor, a sympathetic mind and of retiring disposition, he left a mark of his character upon the city of New Britain, where his memory is still fondly cherished by all who were fortunate enough to know him.

CAPTAIN JARVIS E. BLINN.

Captain Jarvis E. Blinn was born in Rocky Hill, July 28, 1836. He removed to New Britain in 1853, where he continued to live until he enlisted in the Fourteenth Regular Connecticut Volunteers, on August 8, 1862. He was chosen Captain of his company.

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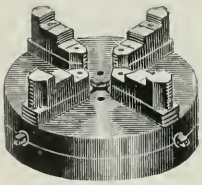

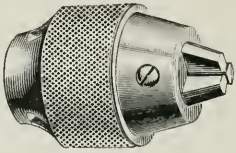

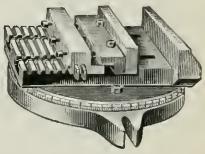

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He was a man of high sense of honor, faithful to his friends and country. His death was a severe loss to all who knew him.

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Hon. George M. Landers, named in connection with Dr. Samuel W. Hart and Timothy W. Stanley, was a pioneer in the

HON. GEORGE M. LANDERS.

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He was connected as a director with the New Britain Gas Co. and the New Britain National Bank, also with the N. Y. & N. E. R. R. Co., and with many other corporations both in this city and state. In great measure, through his efforts, the Berlin Branch Road was incorporated and built. The splendid water works of the city of New Britain was also established in the main by him, and for a long time he was a Water Commissioner of the city. He was an original member of the Board of Sewer Commissioners, and he served for several terms upon the School Board.

He was elected to the House of Representatives three terms and to the State Senate three terms. He was twice appointed Bank Commissioner of the state and was a member of the Forty-fourth and Forty-fifth Congresses, in 1874 and 1876.

Other offices were heaped upon him. The people of New Britain leaned upon him as a staff in all their public affairs. He was one of the best companions and associates that could be desired.

OLIVER STANLEY.

Oliver Stanley was the son of John and Charlotte North Stanley. He was born in this city March 24, 1827. After receiving a common school education, he entered the employ of his grandfather, Seth J. North. He afterwards became a partner of F. H. North and John B. Talcott under the firm name of North, Stanley & Co., and engaged in the manufacture of hooks and eyes. This business was successfully conducted for twenty-five years.

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He also advanced large sums of money from his own resources to aid the soldiers. He was always interested in the public affairs of the town, but he never sought public office. He represented the town in the State Legislature. He was incorporator of the Educational Fund Co. and of the New Britain Institute, and was director of the Institute up to the time of his death. He was very active in Church matters, being con-

OLIVER STANLEY.

nected with the South Congregational Church Society. He was a director of many manufacturing corporations of the city, and was secretary of the P. & F. Corbin Co.

Mr. Stanley was a man to whose devotion and energy the growth of New Britain in its early days was in a great measure due, and the stamp of his character has been left upon the town.

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TIMOTHY W. STANLEY.

He was president of the Savings Bank of New Britain, and was also one of the incorporators of the New Britain Institute.

The latter part of his life he retired from active business pursuits and made his home in Granby, Conn., where he died February 18, 1897.

He was a man much respected in the community, where his influence was always used with much fervor for the best interests of New Britain and his fellow citizens.

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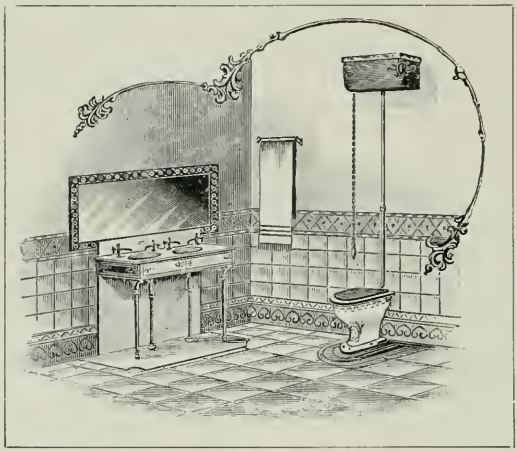

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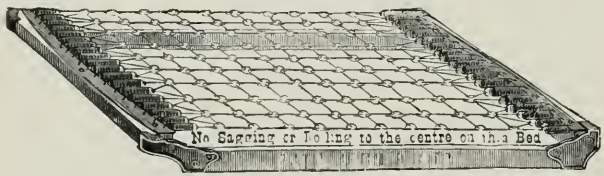

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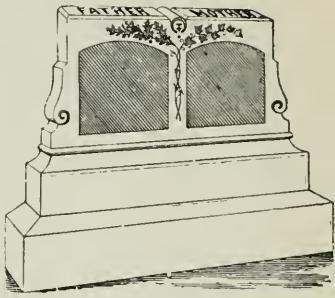

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THE Memorial belongs to a class of which the Choragic Monument of Lysicrates at Athens and the Roman Monument at St. Remy in Southern France are typical examples.

While partaking somewhat of the character of both these celebrated structures, it cannot be said to resemble either of them very closely, except that the dimensions are very similar to those at the monument at St. Remy. This latter structure consists of a solid square base, covered on each face with a large bas relief, somewhat less in height than it is in width; on this base stands the principal story, having an open arch on each of the four sides, flanked by Corinthian columns at the corners. These support the main entablature, above which stands a small circular lantern-like structure, the roof of which is supported by a colonnade, also of the Corinthian order.

The monument of Lysicrates is considerably smaller, and consists of what may be called a circular lantern standing on a solid square base of almost equal height with it, and having built against its wall six engaged columns of the most beautiful design which support the entablature. In the friezes are bas reliefs. The roof is covered with scales, upon which lie richly carved scrolls supporting a finial of acanthus leaves.

The interior of the Soldiers' Monument consists of a single cell which extends throughout almost the whole height of the monument. Architecturally speaking, the exterior may be said to be divided into three stories; that is to say, the base, the main story and the attic. The base is bold and simple in design. It has fountains built against two of its faces, one on each side. There is a doorway in each of the other sides. The doorways are extremely plain, and each is protected by a moulded pediment in a single block, the supports for which are terminated

below in a scroll and have neckings above with guttæ. The simple moulded architrave is carried down on the sides of the doorways. The doors themselves are of open work in wrought iron. The fountains have each two semi-circular basins; the upper one is vase shaped. Above the latter and built against the monument is a trunculated obelisk, the base ornamented with raised fillets and an enriched roll. The water spout in the form of a lion's head is sculptured on a block projecting from the center of the base of the obelisk. Above this on the shaft is a wreath with branches of palm and laurel. On the plain surface of the shafts are incised inscriptions. At the top of the shaft volutes, festoons, and an enriched ovolo suggest the Ionic capital, in the center of which are crossed swords and over them a shield bearing the monogram of the United States and surmounted by an eagle. The obelisks are capped by a cornice with dentils.

On each face of the main story is a projecting frontispiece composed of two Pompeian Ionic columns bearing an entablature with a pediment. In each re-entering angle thus formed, at the corners, stands a cube having on each face the classic palmetto leaf. The frieze of each frontispiece is enriched with low relief, and in the center a raised tablet bearing an inscription extends over the architrave. The sloping edges of the pediments are terminated by richly wrought antifixae which are joined by flat scrolls to the acroteria, each of which has in its center a blazing torch.

Between the columns and beneath the entablature, is a window, one on each side, the architrave of which is ornamented by sculptured discs. The openings are filled with clatrata or pierced plates of stone.

The attic story rests on a massive plinth. On each of the four sides there is a projecting face decorated with an inscribed tablet with an architrave in the form of a garland of oak leaves bound together by ribbons and supported by scrolls of stone. Flanking this tablet on each face are pilasters or antæ supporting the architrave cornice, which is ornamented with dentils and bears a richly sculptured cheneau, in which are worked chimera-heads; in the center of each face of it is a cartouche-like shield. The re-entering angles formed by the projecting faces of the attic are occupied by four gilded tripods, one at each corner, the blazing bowls of which are enriched by a fret, and festoons hang between the upper ends of the supports; the latter are terminated by claws.

Above the attic a low circular wall supports the roof, formed by a dome of stone covered with scales, and terminated at the base with a running Greek scroll.

At the top of the dome four reversed modillions support the the brackets which, with a vase and ball, form the finial, serving as a pedestal for the gilded figure of winged Victory, which crowns the monument. This figure is modelled after the celebrated statuette found at Pompeii, now in the museum at Naples.

The style of architecture used throughout is a modern adaptation of the Greek Ionic as used at Pompeii. The dimensions of the monument are: Width of base, 16 ft. 4 in.; radius of lower basin, 7 ft. 7 in.; distance between centers of columns, 8 ft. 5 in.; height of base, 8 ft.; height of columns, 12 ft. 7 in.; height of entablature including pediment, 5 ft. 10 in.; height of attic, 7 ft. 9 in.; total height to top of finial, 44 ft.

The whole structure is intended to be highly symbolic, both in its general conception and in the detail. As the monument is commemorative of those who fought in a victorious cause, it has naturally taken the form of a temple to victory. It serves as a shrine, within which are inscribed the names of those whose heroism it commemorates. The sentiment which it typifies is patriotism. The winged figure of Victory, bearing a palm branch for the vanquished, tells the story of war and typifies the reconciliation between the two sections which were at strife. Below the figure the tripods blaze with the eternal fire of patriotism. The blazing torch of the acroterium, which crowns each frontispiece signifies the enlightening influence of liberty.

The obelisks at the base of the monument suggest that it is commemorative of the dead. Their shafts are appropriately inscribed. The arms of the United States, with the crossed swords typifies the defense of the country. Below the inscription the wreath, the palm branch and the laurel, recall those which were laid upon so many graves. The fountains flowing from lions' heads (typical of courage) signify peace and plenty which have followed the war and which now rests upon the firm foundation of the principles then maintained and established by arms. The inscriptions are intended to bring out and illustrate the meaning of the Memorial.

THOS. S. BISHOP,
The Engineer.

Programme of Dedication.

1. Ringing of Church Bells at 9 a. m.
2. Grand Parade at 11.30 a. m., line to form at 11 a. m., as directed by Grand Marshal.

Col. S. A. Moore,
Grand Marshal.

3. DEDICATION SERVICES AT MONUMENT.

Presiding Officer, Mayor Bassett.

1. Prayer by Rev. Dr. Russell T. Hall, *Chaplain of First Regiment, C. N. G.*
2. Presentation of the Monument to the Town By Soldiers' Monument Committee.
3. Acceptance of Monument on behalf of Town By Selectmen.
4. Music by Male Chorus, accompanied by Colt's Band, *To Thee, O Country.*
5. Address by His Excellency Gov. Lounsbury.
6. Oration by Gen. Joseph R. Hawley.
7. Music by Male Chorus, accompanied by Colt's Band, *Soldiers' Chorus.*
8. Address by Judge A. B. Beers *Pres. Army and Navy Club of Conn.*
9. Music, "America," led by Chorus and Colt's Band.

4 Collation to Guests, visiting Military Companies and Members of Grand Army and Veterans, as follows :

Invited Guests at Hotel Russwin.
Grand Army and Veterans at Casino, Church St.
First Regt., C. N. G., at State Armory. Arch St.
Putnam Phalanx at Junior O. U. A. M. Hall, Arch St.
Governor's Guards at Vega Hall, Arch St.

5. Band Concert at Monument by Colt's Band, 3.30 p.m
6. Band Concert at Monument, 8 to 10 p. m.

COL. S. A. MOORE, Grand Marshal.

Marshals—Col. Erichson Lieut -Col. Thompson, Lieut. Col. C. H. Moore, Capt. J. R. Andrews, Capt. C H. Faulkner.

Lieut F. M. Stanley, Marshal and Chief of Staff.

Aids—Capt. Fleischer for German Battalion, and N. N. Lind for Swedish Battalion.

LINE OF MARCH.

Line forms on Commercial, Center, Myrtle and Washington Streets, right resting on Elm Street. March from Elm to East Main to Main to Cor. Broad and North. Countermarch Main to West Main to Vine, Countermarch to Main, (west side Park), to Arch to Webster to Kensington to Franklin Square (east side), Main to Monument.

Programme Continued.

Meet at 10 o'clock Turner Hall, HERMAN FLEISCHER, Grand Marshal.

Grand Concert in the evening at 8 o'clock in Turner Hall, free to all Germans, with following program :

1. Blue and Gray, *By Chittaway*
   BIGGE'S ORCHESTRA.
2. Fruehlingslied, *By Pfieffer*
   TEUTONIA MAENNERCHOR.
3. Schulblatte, Waltz.
   HARMONY ZITHER CLUB.
4. Saengers Heimath, *By E. Kollner*
   NEW BRITAIN QUARTETTE CLUB.
5. Land Kennung, *By E. Grieg Messassenchor*
   BARITONE SOLO AND ORCHESTRA.
6. ADDRESS By CHARLES KUPER
7. Overture, Queen of Autumn, *By Carl Bigge*
   ORCHESTRA.
8. Es Steht eine Linde, *By E. Fouschmer*
   NEW BRITAIN QUARTETTE CLUB.
9. Fruehling in Walde, *By Baldemus*
   TEUTONIA MAENNERCHOR.
10. Fuerst Bismark March,
    HARMONY ZITHER CLUB.
11. Grand American Fantine, *By Theo. Moses*
    ORCHESTRA.

The evening's entertainment to conclude with a Grand Ball.

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